

## ABSTRACT

A stapler capable of avoiding defective clinching and buckling of legs even if the stapler is of a vertically-separated type in which a driver unit and a clincher unit are separated vertically is disclosed. This  
5 stapler is provided with clincher members (133 and 134) for clinching legs of a staple driven out by a driver and holders (131 and 132) which hold the clincher members (133 and 134). Also, in this stapler, guide surfaces (131b and 132b) for guiding tips of the legs of the staple toward  
10 the clincher members (133 and 134) are formed on upper surface portions of the holders (131 and 132), and the holders (131 and 132) are movable in a direction perpendicular to a surface which includes a direction that the legs of the staple are clinched.